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DE 203 16 158 U1 discloses a household appliance, specifically a dishwasher, incorporating an appliance door (1) and a covered control panel (3), characterized in that an indicator device (6, 7) for the display of the operating status, programme parameters and/or programme mode of the household appliance is arranged on the front of the appliance door (1).

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